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UNITED STATES EMBASSY ANNOUNCES HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR 2006-2007

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The United States Embassy in Azerbaijan is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for the Humphrey Fellowship program. The Humphrey Fellowship Program is a U.S. Department of State Scholarship Program that brings accomplished mid-level professionals from many countries to the United States for a year of study and professional experience.

The Humphrey program provides a basis for establishing long-lasting and productive partnerships and relationships between citizens of the United States and their professional counterparts in other countries, fostering an exchange of knowledge and mutual understanding throughout the world. Fellowships are awarded competitively to candidates with a commitment to public service in both the public and private sectors, specifically in the following fields:

- Natural resources and environmental management
- Public policy analysis and public administration
- Economic development
- Agricultural development/agricultural economics
- Finance and banking
- Human resource management
- Urban and regional planning
- Drug abuse education, treatment, and prevention
- Public health policy and management
- Technology policy and management
- Education
- Law and human rights
- Communications/journalism
- Nonproliferation studies
- Teaching of English as a foreign language
- HIV/AIDS policy and prevention
- Trafficking of persons

For an application and more information, please visit the U.S. Embassy website: (<http://baku.usembassy.gov/pas/edumain.html>). Please send inquiries to: BakuEducation@state.gov. Applications will be accepted during business hours at the U.S. Embassy, 83 Azadliq Prospect, 370007, Baku until the deadline, Friday, September 16, 2005 at 5pm.